

Michigan State Park Winter Lodging and Camping

All Parks are open in winter and allow cross country skiing and snowshoeing. Grooming on the cross country ski trails is done at [22 state parks](#).

Ten campgrounds are open in the winter. Tahquamenon Falls, Waterloo Recreation Area/Portage, Fort Custer, Bay City, Ludington, Algonac, Mitchell, Traverse City, Rifle River Recreation Area and North Higgins Lake State Park.

Four parks have heated restrooms in the winter: Traverse City, Rifle River, Mitchell and Tawas Point.

Many of these parks have winter activities scheduled including cross country skiing by lantern light. Check out the [GO-Get Outdoors Calendar](#). Activities are being added daily.

[Rustic cabins](#) are generally located in quiet areas of the parks. The number each can accommodate is different. They range from two to 24 campers. Each cabin provides single-sized beds or bunks with mattresses, a table, chairs, brooms, and a propane heater or wood stove for heat. When planning trips, campers should consider bringing bedding, cookware, lanterns, a first-aid kit, ax or handsaw, and flashlights. **Except for the cabins at Sleeper State Park and Holly Recreation Area, the rustic cabins do not have electricity.

Rustic Cabin Location	Groomed X Country Ski	Snowmobiling in Park	Near Designated Snowmobile Trail
Bald Mountain		Yes	No-4 miles from the park,
Brighton		Yes in designated areas only	No
Cheboygan	Track set only	No	No
Fort Custer		Yes	No
Harrisville		No	No
Hartwick Pines	Groomed and Track Set	No	Yes- within 4 miles
Holly**		Yes	No
Island Lake		Yes	No
McLain		No	No
Ortonville		Yes	No
Porcupine Mountains	Groomed and Track Set	Yes (on designated trails only)	Yes –adjacent
Rifle River	Groomed and Track Set	Yes	No
Sleeper**	Groomed and Track Set	No	No
Van Riper		No (except from the cabin to the snowmobile trail.)	Yes
Waterloo		Yes	No
Wells		No	Multi use roads within 2 miles
Wilderness	Groomed Only	Yes	No

[Mini Cabins](#) open throughout the winter season are listed below.

These one-room cabins are located on a campsite within the campground and are generally slightly smaller than a rustic cabin. Because they are located on campgrounds, all have electricity. Mini-cabins are designed to sleep four people with bunk beds and mattresses provided. Campers must provide all bedding, cookware, tableware. A first-aid kit, lanterns, flashlight, ax or handsaw and a portable cook stove are recommended.

Mini Cabin Location	Groomed X Country Ski	Snowmobiling in Park	Near Designated Snowmobile Trail
Bay City		No (staging area available for lake access)	No
Fort Custer		Yes	No
Fort Wilkins	Groomed and Track Set	No	Yes-adjacent to the park
Harrisville		No	No
P.H. Hoeft	Groomed and Track Set	No	Yes
Ludington	Track Set only	No	No
McLain	Groomed only	No	No
Mitchell		Yes	Yes-within 4 miles
Muskegon	Groomed and Track Set	No	No
N. Higgins Lake	Groomed and Track Set	No (except as access to campsite via road shoulder)	Yes-within two miles
Port Crescent	Groomed and Track Set	No	No
Sleeper	Groomed and Track Set	No	No
Tawas Point		No	No
Traverse City		No	No

[Camper Cabins](#) open and heated for visitors throughout the winter season are listed below. The camper cabins sleep up to six people with two sets of bunk beds in their own rooms and a futon in the main living area. Another difference is the view. The front deck is the ideal place to enjoy the view of the sun coming up over one of our many lakes.

Camper cabins offer electricity, refrigerators and microwaves. Visitors must supply their own bedding, dishes and cookware.

Camper Cabin Location	Groomed X Country Ski	Snowmobiling in Park	Near Designated Snowmobile Trail
Fort Wilkins	Groomed and track set	No	Yes-adjacent to the park
Holland		No	No
Mitchell	Groomed Only	Yes	Yes- within 4 miles
Pinckney		Yes	No
Tahquamenon Falls	Groomed and Track Set	Yes but not in designated natural area	yes
Port Crescent	Groomed and Track Set	No	No
Tawas Point		No	No
Waterloo/Portage		Yes	No

Proud Lake	Track Set Only	Yes	No
Van Riper		Yes	Yes-within 4 miles

[Lodges](#) that are open throughout the winter season are listed below.

Lodges vary by location and can accommodate from 6 to 24 people. Lodges come furnished and fully equipped with full bathrooms, kitchens, bedrooms and some even have a washer, dryer and linen service.

Lodge Location	Groomed X Country Ski	Snowmobiling in Park	Near Designated Snowmobile Trail
Highland		Yes	No
P.H. Hoeft	Groomed and Track Set	No	Yes-adjacent to the park
Porcupine Mountains	Groomed and Track Set	Yes- on designated trails only	Yes-adjacent to the park
Wells		No	No
Proud Lake	Track Set Only	Yes	No
Traverse City		No	No
Fayette	Groomed and Track Set	Yes (very limited area)	No
Tahquamenon Falls	Groomed and track set	Yes but not in designated natural area	Yes
Twin Lakes	Groomed and Track Set	Yes	Yes- adjacent to the park

[Yurts](#) open throughout the winter season are listed below.

Yurts are sturdy, tent-like structures that originated in central Asia. They offer a new adventure in camping providing visitors with a snug, weather tight shelter that is close to all available winter activities.

Yurt Location	Groomed X Country Ski	Snowmobiling in Park	Near Designated Snowmobile Trail
Pinckney		Yes	No
Porcupine Mountains	Groomed and Track Set	Yes-on designated trails only	Yes-adjacent to the park